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FM AMEMBASSY MOGADISCIO

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C O N F I D E N T I A L MOGADISCIO 0439

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, PINS, SO, FR, FT

SUBJECT: NEGOTIATIONS FOR AMBASSADOR GUEURY'S RELEASE

REF: MOGADISCIO 438

1. SOMALI GOVT STILL DEBATING AT THIS HOUR --2300 LOCAL --  
WHETHER TO GRANT SOMALIHBPBAST LIB FRONT FINAL DEMAND: AN OFFICIAL  
DECLARATION WHICH EXONERATES ALL THOSE WHO PARTICIPATED IN  
ABDUCTION OF AMB GUEURY AS WELL AS SOMALI COAST LIB FRONT ITSELF  
FROM ANY ACTS OF RETRIBUTION BY GSDR. LIB FRONT RECUEST GOES  
SOMEWHAT BEYOND AN OFFICIAL PARDON FOR THOSE DIRECTLY INVOLVED  
IN KIDNAPPING. SUPREME REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL (SRC) IS MEETING  
AT THIS HOUR TO GIVE FINAL DECISION ON QUESTION WHICH HAS BEEN  
HANGING FIRE MOST OF DAY.

2. ABOVE CONDITION WAS ONE OF ORIMINAL DEMANDS OF FRONT AND  
NOT NEW DEMAND, AS ITALIAN EMBOFF REPORTED TO US EARLIER IN  
EVENING (REFTEL).

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3. BETTING HERE IS THAT GSDR HAS MADE ITS POINT REGARDING

RELUCTANCE TO EXONERATE FRONT FOR GUEURY KIDNAPPING  
AND WILL CONCEDE. IF CONCESSION COMES IN NEXT FEW HOURS --  
AS WE SUSPECT IT WILL - SOMALI AIRLINES PLANE WILL TAKE  
GUEURY, THREE PBMALI COAST LIB FRONT KIDNAPPERS, AND SINGLE  
SOMALI HOSTAGE (AS YET UNIDENTIFIED) TO ADEN ON MORNING OF  
MARCH 27. ADEN IS ALSO DESTINATION OF GOF PLANE WHICH LEFT  
PARIS EARLIER TODAY WITH TWO SCLF PRISONERS RELEASED FROM  
FRENCH JAILS.

4. DURING THIS PROTRACTED NEGOTIATION PROCESS, GSDR HAS  
CONTINUED TO INSIST THAT ITALIAN AMBASSADOR ACT AS GO BETWEEN  
AND HAS STEADFASTLY REFUSED TO TALK DIRECTLY TO SCLF GROUP.  
HE HAS TOLD GSDR ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS OF THE FUTILITY OF HIS  
ROLE IN RESOLVING FINAL POINT, WHICH COULD BE SETTLED  
MORE QUICKLY IF TWO PARTIES INVOLVED -- SCLF AND SOMALI GOVT --  
SPOKE DIRECTLY TO EACH OTHER. FONMIN HAS NEVERTHELESS CONTINUED  
TO INSIST THAT IT NOT DEAL DIRECTLY WITH TERRORISTS. SOME FEEL  
THAT THIS POINT OF PROTOCOL, LIKE THE GSDR STUBBORNNESS IN  
CONCEDING PARDON BOTH TO KIDNAPPERS AND SOMALI COAST LIB FRONT,  
IS UNNECESSARY AT THIS POINT IN TIME AND HAS ALSO DELAYED FINAL  
SETTLEMENT.

5. AMBASSADOR GUEURY HOLDING UP WELL UNDER STRAIN.  
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